

ized by the act of Congress that now exists or may hereafter be passed. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Finance Committee.

A bill supplementary to an act entitled an act regulating juries, approved May 4, 1846. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Judiciary Committee.

A bill to authorize the use of the Texas Penitentiary for the confinement of convicts from the States of Louisiana, Arkansas, and Missouri. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Thomas Moore, deceased, from the Senate.

A joint resolution in relation to claims held by counties, corporations, and citizens of Texas for labor performed and money expended in aid of the military defense of the State during the present war. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

And Senate's joint resolution on the death of General John Gregg, from the Senate.

The report of Judiciary Committee recommending the rejection of a bill supplementary to and amendatory of an act to suspend all laws for the collection of debts, etc., was considered and adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Burney, Charlton, Dickson, Durant, Ford, Guinn, Harcourt, Haskell, Holland, Knox, Maxey, Moore of Davis, Parsons, and Wootten—14.

Nays—Messrs. Davis, Hartley, Hord, Jowers, Kinsey, Lea, Shepard, Throckmorton, and White—9.

The report of Committee on Military Affairs on a resolution of inquiry relative to the removal of all single men from the frontier organization was read and adopted.

A bill to provide cotton cards, wool cards, and medicines for the people of this State. Read 2nd time and made special order for tomorrow at 10 o'clock A.M.

The Senate then adjourned until 9 o'clock A.M. tomorrow.

Saturday, November 5, 1864
9 o'clock A.M.

Senate met, roll called, quorum present. The Journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Ford, Chairman of Committee on Printing, made the following report that the Committee had contracts

with the *State Gazette* proprietors for printing 2000 copies of joint resolution concerning peace, reconstruction, and independence, for \$15 in specie or its equivalent, the Senate furnishing the paper.

Mr. Harcourt, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, recommended the passage of the following bills:

A bill supplementary to an act to regulate juries, approved May 4, 1846.

A bill to amend 2nd section of an act to suspend all laws for the collection of debts.

A bill supplementary to an act amendatory of an act to establish a Code of Criminal Procedure. Also the following report:

The Judiciary Committee has duly considered a bill to be entitled an act to provide for holding special terms of the district court and to repeal the 1st section of that subject of an act approved December 16, 1863, and instruct me to report that the experiment attempted by the act of December 16, 1863, does not serve to justify any further effort to provide for holding special terms of the district court. The Committee are of the opinion that no necessity exists for holding such courts, and that no practical good can result therefrom, and direct me to return the bill to the Senate and recommend that it do not pass.

John T. Harcourt, Chairman

Mr. Dickson, Chairman of Committee on Education, reported a bill to incorporate the Southern Minerva Institute with the following amendment and recommended its passage. Amend by adding after the word "kinds" in line 14, "not to exceed in value 200,000."

Mr. Guinn, Chairman of Committee on Claims and Accounts, reported recommending the passage of a bill to Comptroller to audit and settle the account of L. P. Strong for subsidizing the Tonkawa Indians, with the following amendment: "Provided the said claims shall be approved by the Governor."

The Committee on Confederate Relations, Mr. Durant, Chairman, recommended the passage of joint resolutions relating to export duties on cotton.

Mr. Throckmorton from Finance Committee recommending on behalf of the Committee the passage of a bill to extend the time for the redemption of land sold for taxes.

Mr. Lea, Chairman of Committee on Finance, made the following reports:

To the Honorable F. S. Stockdale, President of the Senate:

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred a bill from the House styled a bill to be entitled an act to provide more effectually for the support and maintenance of the indigent families and dependents of Texas soldiers, has carefully considered the subject and a majority now reports a substitute for the bill.

A majority also reports another bill to be taken in connection with the substitute in the Senate's consideration of the whole subject.

The Chairman would respectfully remark that a further report is far advanced in preparation, but that little time and great difficulties have caused it to be yet unfinished. Although it may not be very extensive when done, yet its substance is necessary for presentation of associated portions of the subject, requiring connected consideration.

Submitting the present as only a partial report, the Chairman would respectfully ask leave to report in full next Monday morning.

In the mean time, during such considerations of the reported subjects as the Senate may think proper, oral explanations can be made by members of the Committee.

Pryor Lea, Chairman

The Committee on Military Affairs made the following report:

President of the Senate:

The Committee on Military Affairs have considered the resolutions complimentary to the Ninth Regiment of Texas Troops, together with the amendment and report of the minority of the Committee.

The Committee have instructed me to report the accompanying resolutions as a substitute for the amendment and as an amendment to this report of the minority of the Committee, and after striking out the last resolution of the minority report, we recommend that the resolutions as proposed to be amended be passed.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, Mr. Dickson, Chairman, reported the following bills correctly enrolled, properly signed, and presented to the Governor.

A bill to amend the act to encourage the erection of

certain machinery by donations of land and otherwise, approved December 15, 1863.

A bill for relief of heirs of Thomas Moore, deceased.

On Mr. Dickson's motion, the report of Finance Committee made this morning was taken up. The House bill and the substitute reported by the Committee were severally read. The bill to regulate the disposal of cloth and thread manufactured at the Penitentiary was read 1st time. Mr. Dickson moved to lay the substitute proposed by the Committee on the table, whereupon the yeas and nays stood thus:

Yeas—Messrs. Burney, Charlton, Davis, Dickson, Ford, Haskell, Holland, Jowers, Kinsey, Maxey, Moore of Davis, Parsons, and White—13.

Nays—Messrs. Durant, Guinn, Harcourt, Hartley, Hord, Knox, Lea, Shepard, Throckmorton, and Wootten—10.

The Senate then adjourned until 3 o'clock P.M.

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Senate met, roll called, quorum present. The House bill to provide more effectually for the support and maintenance of soldiers being on its 2nd reading, Mr. Dickson moved to strike out "1,000,000." Carried. Mr. Guinn moved to fill blank with "400,000." Mr. Moore of Davis moved "600,000." Mr. Jowers moved "800,000." Mr. Shepard moved to fill the blank with "all the surplus cloth made at the Penitentiary." Mr. Shepard's amendment was ruled out of order. Mr. Shepard then moved to fill with "1,100,000." Lost; "800,000 was lost. Mr. Jowers proposed "750,000." Lost, and "600,000" was lost on call of yeas and nays as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Charlton, Davis, Dickson, Haskell, Holland, Jowers, Kinsey, Maxey, Moore of Davis, and White—10.

Nays—Messrs. Burney, Durant, Ford, Guinn, Harcourt, Hartley, Hord, Knox, Lea, Shepard, Throckmorton, and Wootten—12.

Mr. Burney moved "500,000." Lost, and "400,000" lost. Mr. Dickson moved to reconsider the vote which struck out "1,000,000," whereupon Mr. Jowers moved to postpone the reconsideration of the bill until Monday next. Motions were withdrawn when Mr. Throckmorton moved to recon-

sider the vote refusing to insert "600,000." Carried. The question then recurred on filling the blank with "600,000."

Yeas—Messrs. Burney, Charlton, Davis, Dickson, Haskell, Holland, Jowers, Kinsey, Maxey, Moore of Davis, Throckmorton, Wootten, and White—13.

Nays—Messrs. Durant, Ford, Guinn, Harcourt, Hartley, Hord, Knox, Lea, and Shepard—9.

Mr. Hord then offered the following amendment: "The provisions of this act to distribute cloth to the counties shall apply only to such counties as shall within_____days after the passage of this act notify the Superintendent of the Penitentiary that they wish to receive the same. Another reminder of such cloth shall be sold or offered for sale to the Confederate States and the proceeds shall be distributed to the counties which have not signified their willingness to receive the cloth" to be inserted after the words "provided" and "section," all between those words being stricken out. Adopted. Mr. Guinn moved to fill blank with "90 days." Carried. Mr. Guinn moved to strike out of the bill all that relates to levying and collecting taxes.

The Senate then adjourned until Monday morning 9 o'clock.

Monday, November 7, 1864
9 o'clock A.M.

Senate met, roll called, quorum present. The Journal of Saturday was read and adopted.

Mr. Dickson, Chairman of Committee on Education, reported a bill to amend the act to incorporate New Braunfels Academy, back to the Senate for its action, the Committee being unable to agree.

Mr. Shepard, Chairman of Committee on State Affairs, reported adversely to the passage of joint resolutions in relation to claims held by county corporation and citizens of Texas in aid of military defense, and recommended the indefinite postponement of a bill to amend 12th and 24th sections of an act to authorize county courts to regulate roads, appoint overseers, etc. The same Committee recommended the passage of the following bills:

A bill to allow assessors and collectors and chief justices to procure stationery from the Comptroller's office. A bill to authorize the use of the Penitentiary for the confinement of convicts from Louisiana, Arkansas, and Mis-